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## **ARS retail software has been officially validated as compliant with the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard!**

We are very excited to announce that our V6 retail software has been approved of adhering to the PCI DSS requirements for security management, policies, procedures, network architecture, software design, and other critical protective measures.

Because we are now compliant with PCI DSS requirements, our customers can remain confident that our V6 systems are secure and trust that we will maintain compliance as the PCI Security Standards Council continues to monitor threats and improve the industry's means of dealing with such issues.

ARS Business Solutions, LLC would like our clients to know that as merchants, they need to take several steps to become PCI compliant as well. It is important for merchants to maintain security of all of their customers' payment card data, no matter the size of the business. There are a total of 12 requirements in the standard, and merchants must work with their acquiring bank and use the tools offered by the PCI Security Standard Council to become PCI compliant.

We encourage our clients to visit the PCI Security Standards Council website at <https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/> to obtain background information and a general understanding of what steps to take. Our clients can find out exact compliance requirements only from their payment brand (i.e. American Express, Visa Inc., MasterCard Worldwide, etc.).

At ARS Business Solutions, LLC, we understand the importance of data integrity and security, which is why we want to ensure our clients meet the same standards as we do and acquire their customers' trust. For more information or clarification about PCI compliance, our clients can visit our website or contact an ARS team member at their earliest convenience.